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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method of transmitting streaming data, the method comprising:

streaming data for a video comprising previously-stored first video data and second video data from data storage to a user, the data for the video including data stored on a first portion of a virtual partition and data stored on a second portion of a virtual partition; and

receiving a request to fast-forward the data for the video[[;]] and detecting an attempt to bypass the second video data and, notwithstanding the request, streaming the second video data to the user.

streaming fast-forwarded data for the video that is stored on the first portion of the virtual partition; and

ignoring the request to fast forward and streaming at a normal speed data for the video that is stored on the second portion of the virtual partition.

- 3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, wherein the second video data for the video that is stored on the second portion of the virtual partition includes data representing an advertisement.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein streaming includes compressing.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, further comprising:

 reading from storing with the data for the video a pointer to a location of the second data on
 the data storage stored on the second portion of the virtual partition.

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6. (Currently Amended) A video streaming system comprising:

a first portion of a virtual partition, the first portion containing previously-stored first video data;

a second portion of the virtual partition, the second portion containing previously-stored second video data;

a file system operable to access <u>video</u> data stored on the first and second portions of the virtual partition; and

a module operable to stream data for a read the video data from the first and second portions of the virtual partition, the file system being configured to communicate with read video data from the first and second portions of the virtual partition through the module, the module being configured to ignore a request to stream fast forwarded data detect an attempt by a user to bypass the second video data from the second portion of the virtual partition with a fast-forward request and, notwithstanding the request, to route the second video data to the user.

- 7. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 6, wherein the second video data stored on the second portion of the virtual partition includes data representing an advertisement.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 6, wherein the module is further operable to stream fast forwarded fast-forward the first video data from the first portion of the virtual partition in response to [[a]] the fast-forward request.
 - 9. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 6, the system further comprising: a compression unit operable to compress the data for the video.
- 10. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 6, wherein a pointer specifies a location of the data for the video that is stored on the second portion.

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11. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 6, further comprising:

a server operable to send, in response to a user request, a request to the file system for the data store stored on the first and second portions of the virtual partition, the file system being operable to receive the request from the server and provide the data stored on the first and second portions of the virtual partition to the server.

- 12. (Previously Presented) A storage stack comprising:
- a file system operable to access data stored on one or more data storage devices;
- a disk strategy module; and
- a virtual partition strategy module, the file system being configured to communicate with the disk strategy module through the virtual partition strategy module, the virtual partition strategy module being configured to ignore a request to fast-forward through an advertisement in streaming data.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A computer program product, tangibly embodying in an information carrier instructions operable to cause a computer to perform [[the]] operations comprising [[of]]:

streaming data for a video comprising previously-stored first video data and second video data from data storage to a user, the data for the video including data stored on a first portion of a virtual partition and data stored on a second portion of a virtual partition; and

receiving a request to fast-forward the data for the video[[;]] and detecting an attempt to bypass the second video data and, notwithstanding the request, streaming the second video data to the user.

streaming fast-forwarded-data for the video-that is stored on the first portion of the virtual partition; and

— ignoring the request to fast-forward and streaming at a normal speed data for the video that is stored on the second portion of the virtual partition.

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- 14. (Currently Amended) The product of claim 13, wherein the <u>second video</u> data for the video that is stored on the second portion of the virtual partition includes data representing an advertisement.
- 15. (Previously Presented) The product of claim 13, wherein streaming includes compressing.
- 16. (Currently Amended) The product of claim 13, further comprising instructions for:

storing with the data for the video a pointer to a location of the second data on the data storage stored on the second portion of the virtual partition in a pointer.